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## STATE UNIVERSITIES IN KANSAS RATED “BEST BUYS”

(TOPEKA) – A recent study conducted by the Kansas Board of Regents compared the tuition and fee rates of Kansas’ six state universities to similar-sized institutions in neighboring states for the recently concluded 2005-2006 academic year. The results of the survey demonstrate that tuition rates in Kansas are considerably lower than the regional averages.

Resident tuition and fees at Kansas State University, the University of Kansas and Wichita State University, the state’s three research universities, are 11.4% below the regional average, while resident tuition and fees at Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University and Pittsburg State University, the state’s three regional universities, are 32.4% below the regional average.

“A state university education in Kansas is a great buy, and tuition remains a reasonable bargain in Kansas,” said Reginald L. Robinson, President and CEO of the Kansas Board of Regents. “Tuition rates have escalated rapidly across the nation but tuition rates at Kansas universities continue to provide Kansans with an exceptional educational value, particularly when compared to neighboring states.”

Kansas State University, the University of Kansas, and Wichita State University, all members of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC), averaged \$4,923 for resident tuition and fees for the entire academic year while the regional average, derived from 13 similar-sized NASULGC-member institutions in Colorado, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, and Oklahoma, was \$5,482, or \$559 more per academic year.

Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University, and Pittsburg State University, all members of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), averaged \$3,307 for resident tuition and fees for the entire academic year while the regional average, derived from 34 similar-sized AASCU-member institutions in Colorado, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, and Oklahoma, was \$4,379, or \$1,072 more per academic year.

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